Page 5, line 16, before "adhesion" insert --an--.

Page 6, line 1, change "Patent Claims" to read --WE CLAIM:--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 1, line 2, change "characterized by" to read --the method comprising--.

Claim 2, line 1, change "characterized in that" to read --wherein--.

Claim 3, line 1, change "1 or 2, characterized in that" to read --2, wherein--.

Please cancel claims 4-7, without prejudice, and substitute the following claims:

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- --10. A method according to claim 2, wherein the step of applying is selected from a group consisting of spraying, brushing and immersing.--
- --11. A method according to claim 2, wherein the component part is composed of an alloy selected from the group consisting of nickel-based alloys and cobalt-based alloys.--
- --12. A method according to claim 2, wherein the drying is implemented for a period of 0.5 to 4 hours.--

--13. A method according to claim 2, which includes, prior to the step of alitizing, heat treating the slip layer in argon at a temperature of between 750°C to 1200°C.--

--14. A method according to claim 13, wherein the step of heat treating is for 1 to 6 hours.--

--15. A method according to claim 2, which includes, prior to the step of alitizing, heat treating the slip layer in a vacuum at a temperature range of 750°C to 1200°C.--

Claim 8, line 1, change "V, characterized in that" to read --15, wherein--.

Please cancel claim 9, without prejudice, and substitute the following claims:

--16. A method according to claim 2, wherein the step of alitizing is implemented at a temperature between 800°C and 1200°C for a duration of 1 to 12 hours.--

--17. A method according to claim 1, wherein the powder is present with a grain size distribution of 5μm through 120μm.--

--18. A method according to claim 1, wherein the step of applying is selected from a group consisting of spraying, brushing and immersing.--

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--19. A method according to claim 1, wherein the component part is composed of an alloy selected from a group consisting of nickel-based alloys and cobalt-based alloys .--

--20. A method according to claim 1, wherein the step of drying is implemented over 0.5 to 4 hours.--

--21. A method according to claim 1, which includes, prior to the step of alitizing, heat treating the slip layer at a temperature range of 750°C to 1200°C in an atmosphere selected from argon and a vacuum.--

--22. A method according to claim 21, wherein the heat treating is implemented for a period of 1 to 6 hours.--

--23. A method according to claim 21, wherein the step of alitizing is implemented at a temperature range of 800°C through 1200°C for a duration of 1 to 12 hours.--

--24. A method according to claim 1, wherein the step of alitizing is at a temperature of 800°C through 1200°C for a duration of 1 to 12 hours.--

<u>REMARKS</u>

Claims 1-3, 8 and 10-24 are presented for examination.